

WEST AREA COMMITTEE
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Title:	AREA CAPITAL FUND 2013/15 AND NOTTINGHAM CITY HOMES ENVIRONMENTAL SCHEMES - UPDATE	
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Relevant Council Plan Strategic Priority:

Cutting unemployment by a quarter	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cut crime and anti-social behaviour	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ensure more school leavers get a job, training or further education than any other City	<input type="checkbox"/>
Your neighbourhood as clean as the City Centre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Help keep your energy bills down	<input type="checkbox"/>
Good access to public transport	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham has a good mix of housing	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham is a good place to do business, invest and create jobs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham offers a wide range of leisure activities, parks and sporting events	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Support early intervention activities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Deliver effective, value for money services to our citizens	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Summary of issues

This report provides Councillors with the latest spend proposals under the Area Capital Fund and Nottingham City Homes (NCH) Environmental Improvements.

Recommendations

That the Committee:

- (a) notes the Area Capital Fund and NCH Environmental Improvements monies available to Aspley, Bilborough and Leen Valley wards as outlined in Appendices 1 and 2;
- (b) approves the committed schemes for Leen Valley and Bilborough Wards and the decommitted scheme in the Bilborough Ward as highlighted in Appendices 1 and 2.

1. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 The Nottingham LTP strategy 2011-2026 maintains a commitment to deliver local transport improvements across Nottingham's Neighbourhoods and prioritises small scale transport improvements of importance to local communities.
- 1.2 As part of the budget process Nottingham City Council approved in March 2013 an LTP capital allocation of £2.5 million citywide for 2013-15.
- 1.3 To give opportunity for the Area Committee to make comment on suggested schemes and their progress.

2. BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 The Area Capital Programme was established to improve the environment of the neighbourhoods and to create a sense of place for residents in order to improve the quality of life of local people. Since it was established in 2006 to meet the then corporate priority of 'Transforming Neighbourhoods', the Area Capital Fund has included a total programme expenditure portfolio of £40 million. The improvements that have been carried out to date using this programme, have included: footpaths, fences, visual enhancements to public realm, refurbishment of parks and improvements to public buildings.
- 2.2 Resources are allocated from the Nottingham City Council general fund, the Local Transport Plan (LTP) and from the Housing revenue Account. To achieve a joint approach to environmental improvements in neighbourhoods, a greater degree of flexibility has been established to prioritise and deliver improvements so that there is a synergy in local solutions for local issues across neighbourhoods.
- 2.3 The programme of works is a rolling programme. There have been instances where schemes are started, with strong community involvement and interest, only to be altered at a later stage due to changing circumstances such as economic conditions and changes in land values.
- 2.4 The Area Committee, particularly community representatives, are invited to comment specifically on those schemes identified in the proposals column and also to consider whether certain schemes can be linked to other programmes of work in order to generate best value and create a greater impact on the local area.

3. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 None

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

- 4.1 Bringing together the various strands which form part of the Area Capital Programme enables the City Council to respond efficiently in delivering on public realm improvements as identified by local people.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES (INCLUDING LEGAL IMPLICATIONS AND CRIME AND DISORDER ACT IMPLICATIONS)

- 5.1 A risk register has been produced which is regularly monitored.

6. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

6.1 Not required.

7. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

7.1 Highways Framework Agreement.

8. PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

8.1 Executive Board Report, 19 February 2013, as part of Item 14, Medium Term Financial Plan 2013/14-2015/16, under Annex 3, Draft Capital Programme.

Aspley Area Capital 2013 - 2015 Programme

Aspley LTP schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Comp	Details
Green bays scheme 1	Parking Bays	Approved 31 March 2014	£60,000			Part of the Aspley Ward Parking programme
Snickett Scheme 3	Vehicular Access	Approved 31 March 2014	£60,000			
Snickett Scheme 4	Vehicular Access	Approved 31 March 2014	£59,500			
Bells Lane	Traffic calming	Approved November 2013	£15,000			Traffic calming and speed reduction measures on Bells Lane
Bells Lane	Lining	Approved May 2013	£1,500			Install "Slow" markings on Bells Lane

Total LTP schemes* £196,000

Aspley Public Realm schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Comp	Details
Minver Crescent	footpaths	Prioritised 1 May 2014	£58,800			Cllr contribution to the northern footpath section of the Minver Crescent carriageway and footpath works.
Lindfield Road Phase 2	Wall Scheme	Prioritised 31 March 2014	£60,454	May/June 2014		Partnership scheme with NCH; continuation of Woodfield Road Walls Phase 1
Aspley Ward	Skip	Approved November 2013	£10,000			Contribution to 2013 Aspley Ward Skip Scheme

Total Public Realm schemes** £129,254

Aspley decommitments

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Details

Total Decommited*** £0

Total 2013-2015 LTP allocation £196,000

LTP carried forward from 2011-2013 £0

2013 - 2014 Public Realm allocation £58,800

Public Realm carried forward £11,654

2014 – 2015 Public Realm allocation £58,800

Total Available 2013 - 2015 ACF £325,254

*Less LTP schemes - £196,000

**Less Public Realm schemes - £129,254

***Decommited funds + £0

Remaining available balance £0

LTP element remaining £0 £0

Public Realm element remaining £0 £58,800

Bilborough Area Capital 2013 – 2015

Bilborough LTP schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Melford Road	Footpaths	Approved November 2013	£67,570	March 2014	Yes	Footpath resurfacing to remainder of Melford Road - any surplus to be decommitted - total cost £129,134
Fremount Drive	Crossing Improvements	Approved November 2013	£2,000			Additional contribution to previously approved scheme
Access Rd off Cockington Rd	Lining	Approved September 2013	£5,000			School Clearway markings and parking restrictions on approach road.
Park Crescent	TRO	Approved September 2013	£5,000			Junction protection
Fremount Drive	Crossing Improvements	Approved September 2013	£10,000			Improve crossing provision at Wigman Road junction
Various	Zebrites	Approved September 2013	£15,000			Install Zebrites on Bracebridge Drive and Beechdale Road crossings.
Staverton Road	Footpaths	Approved September 2013	£42,048		Yes	Footpath resurfacing between Graylands Road and Orion Close
Graylands Road	Footpaths	Approved September 2013	£23,383		Yes	Footpath resurfacing between Bracebridge Drive and Staverton Road
Melford Road	Footpaths	Approved September 2013	£48,436		Yes	Footpath resurfacing between Bracebridge Drive and Caincross Road
Various	TRO	Approved September 2013	£15,000			Contribution towards TRO on Wigman Road, Glaisdale Drive West & Denholme Road

Total LTP schemes*

£233,437

Bilborough Public Realm schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Wigman Road	zebra crossing	Prioritised 11 September 2014	£43,108			Installation of zebra crossing on Wigman Road
Wigman Road	Feasibility Study	Approved May 2014	£3,000			Enhanced feasibility study into zebra crossings at two identified sites on Wigman Road
Birchover Road	Survey	Approved May 2014	£600			One week speed survey on Birchover Road
Bilborough Ward Parking	Consultation	Approved May 2014	£1,000			Parking consultation in Beechdale and Glaisdale areas
Bilborough Park	Footpath	Approved February 2014	£12,500			Installation of footpath from Stanwick Close and Calveley Road towards Wigman Road (contribution to £27,500 scheme)
Bilborough Ward	Benches	Approved February 2014	£12,000		Decommit-ted	Purchase and installation of benches across Bilborough Ward
Melford Road	Footpaths	Approved November 2013	£61,564	March 2014	Yes	PR contribution to footpath resurfacing above-total cost £129,134

Total Public Realm schemes**

£133,772

Bilborough decommitments

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Details
Previously Decommited schemes			£15,750	
Melford Road	Footpaths	Underspend on footpath works	£4,134	

Total De-committed***	£19,884
2013-2015 LTP allocation	£166,000
LTP carried forward from 2011-2013	£67,437
2013 - 2014 Public Realm allocation	£49,800
Public Realm carried forward	£36,181
2014 - 2015 Public Realm allocation	£49,800
Total Available 2013 - 2015 ACF	£369,218
*Less LTP schemes	- £233,437
**Less Public Realm schemes	- £133,772
***Decommited funds	+ £19,884
Remaining available balance	£21,893
LTP element remaining	£0
Public Realm element remaining	£21,893

Leen Valley Area Capital 2013 - 2015 Programme

Leen Valley LTP schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Trentham Drive	VAS	Prioritised 16 July 2014	£3,500			Investigation costs for decommitted scheme on Trentham Drive
Southwold Drive	Feasibility Study	Prioritised 11 July 2014	£2,000			Undertake a feasibility study for the implementation of a one-way system and associated costs
Beechdale Road	TRO	Approved May 2014	£6,800			Package of measures to ensure clear access to Doctor's Surgery
Chadwick Road	Road safety	Approved February 2014	£39,500			Raised/narrowed side road entry, No Entry signs onto Chadwick Rd and Unsuitable for HGV signs / vehicular turning area on Old Alfreton Rd
Aspley Lane	Parking order	Approved February 2014	£3,000			Parking order to prevent parking on verges and complement TRO TMP 6997
Nuthall Road	Pedestrian safety	Approved February 2014	£10,500			Footway build-out near Bobbers Mill Café to be combined with work introducing waiting restrictions outside businesses
Leen Valley Signs	Signage	Approved February 2014	£2,500			No Through Road signs / street name plates on Grace Drive, Western Gardens, Nuthall Gardens and Staindale Drive
Beechdale Road / Robins Wood Road	Zebrites	Approved February 2014	£5,000			Zebrites at Beechdale Rd/Robins Wood Rd crossing to match up with other side as agreed with Bilborough Ward Councillors.

Total LTP schemes*

£72,800

Leen Valley Public Realm schemes

Location / Scheme	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details

Total Public Realm schemes**

£0

Leen Valley Area Capital decommitments

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Details
Previously decommitted schemes			£14,000	

Total De-committed***		£14,000
2013-2015 LTP allocation		£84,000
LTP carried forward from 2011-2013		£9,980
2013 - 2014 Public Realm allocation		£25,200
Public Realm carried forward		£108
2014 - 2015 Public Realm allocation		£25,200
Total Available 2013 - 2015 ACF		£144,488
*Less LTP schemes	-	£72,800
**Less Public Realm schemes	-	£0
***Decommitted funds	+	£14,000
Remaining available balance		£85,688
LTP element remaining		£35,180
Public Realm element remaining		£50,508

Nottingham City Homes Environmental Improvements: Aspley, Bilborough and Leen Valley Wards – September 2014

Area	Ward	Actual Budget (including carry fwd from 2013/14)	Schemes approved	Schemes Committed	Schemes De- Committed	Remaining Budget
3	Aspley	£124,250.00	£0.00	£105,749.75		£18,500.25
3	Bilborough	£225,269.00	£0.00	£174,007.25	£41,561.64	£92,823.59
3	Leen Valley	£30,846.00	£0.00	£8,946.67		£21,899.33

ASPLEY WARD

Please note; remaining budget will change once final prices are submitted for proposals at Ainsdale Crescent and Seaton Crescent.

ADDRESS	No.	DETAILS OF PROPOSAL	ISSUES	HOUSING PATCH MANAGER	BUDGET COST
Ainsdale Crescent	42-44	install 6 ft metal gate with slam-lock to alleyway at rear of 42-44 Ainsdale Crescent	Alleyway used for trespassing and ASB	Ellie Ashworth	£884.76 estimate
Atherton Rise	10-12	install 6 ft metal gate with slam-lock to alleyway	Alleyway used for trespassing and ASB	Ellie Ashworth	£884.76
Eltham Drive	27-29	install 6 ft metal gate with slam-lock to alleyway	Alleyway used for trespassing and ASB	Ellie Ashworth	£1,097.69
Bidford Road	39-41	install 6 ft metal gate with slam-lock to alleyway	Alleyway used for ASB and hate crime towards one resident	Kate Rand	£3,614.54
Woodfield Road	155-157	install 6 ft metal gate with slam-lock to alleyway	Alleyway used for ASB and possible drug use	Kate Rand	£1,990.36
Minver Crescent	43-45	install 6 ft metal gate with slam-lock to alleyway	Alleyway used for trespassing and ASB	Tessa Myerscough	£884.76
Rosslyn Drive	61	install 6 ft metal gate with slam-lock to alleyway	Alleyway used for ASB and possible drug use	Tessa Myerscough	£884.76

Seaton Crescent	60	install 6 ft metal gate with slam-lock to alleyway and clear alley	Alleyway has become overgrown and is now inaccessible to our tenant	Tessa Myerscough	£884.76 estimate
Aspley Ward		Communities Taking Control Project. Installing kickboards to properties / installing new house numbers to properties / cleaning painted house numbers off properties / applying specially designed stickers to wheelie bins to identify ownership	Support training, employment and access to apprenticeships for local people in the ward / create and maintain clean and tidy estates	Chris Holloway	£50,000.00
Lindfield Road		Contribution to 'walls' scheme (£161k committed from 13/14 budget)	Improve appearance of neighbourhood. Create defensible spaces	Chris Holloway	£34,623.36
Aspley Ward		Create discretionary fund for ad-hoc requests. This fund will be used only after consultation with citizens and approval from ward members	To resolve ward based issues quickly	Chris Holloway	£10,000.00
				Total Cost	£105,749.75

BILBOROUGH WARD

Please note; remaining budget will decrease once final prices are submitted for proposals at St Levens Close, Strelley Road and Graylands Road garage Site.

ADDRESS	No.	DETAILS OF PROPOSAL	ISSUES	HOUSING PATCH MANAGER	BUDGET COST
Beechdale Road	136-138	install 6 ft metal gate with slam-lock to alleyway	Alleyway used for trespassing and ASB	Mark Clarke	£884.76

St Levens Close	13-21	Install electronic door entry system with fob access to this block	Other blocks have benefited from similar improvements during 13/14. Unfortunately this block was missed due to an admin error	Mark Clarke	£12,000.00 estimate
Strelley Road	163-169	Install electronic door entry system with fob access to this block	Other blocks have benefited from similar improvements during 13/14. Unfortunately this block was missed due to an admin error	Mark Clarke	£12,000.00 estimate
Darnhall Crescent / Bracebridge Drive		replace existing fencing with black hoop-top fencing and re-surface drying area and communal pathway	improve visual appearance	Sophy Johnson	£29,222.33
Saltburn Road	41-57	install address sign	Members enquiry, complaints from residents	Sam Masood	£245.00
Graylands Road Garage Site		re-surface garage site & entry way / renew or repair fencing within the garage block / re-paint gate & fencing and renew garage doors / install security lighting	improve visual appearance and financial viability of the site	Tracy Francis	Cost TBC
Wigman Road		Install knee high metal fencing to prevent cars crossing Wigman Road to park on the communal green spaces / re-paint existing metal fencing / extend existing fencing between 83-95	maintain green spaces	Tracy Francis	£9,654.96
Strelley Social Club		Develop the building by improving frontage and building new 'gym' to allow the community and partners to hold keep fit and other sporting activities.	community investment	Karen Swan / Chris Holloway	£100,000.00
Bilborough Ward		Create discretionary fund for ad-hoc requests. This fund will be used only after consultation with citizens and approval from ward members	To resolve ward based issues quickly	Chris Holloway	£10,000.00

				Total Cost	£174,007.05
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Schemes to De-Commit

Monkton Drive	14-36 & 19-25	De-Commit funds for transforming grassed area into parking as residents and ward members are not in favour		Tracy Francis	£41,561.64
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LEEN VALLEY WARD

Please note; remaining budget will decrease once prices are submitted for proposals at Nuthall Road, Ashwell gardens (x2)

ADDRESS	No.	DETAILS OF PROPOSAL	ISSUES	HOUSING PATCH MANAGER	BUDGET COST
Rodwell Close	n/a	Re-site the metal gate (which provides access to car park) to middle of existing metal fencing.	maximise existing car parking spaces for residents	Jayne Campbell	£1,750.00
Nuthall Road	61-83	cut back ivy and weeds from drying area and repair existing wooden fence	Improve communal space	Jayne Campbell	Cost TBC
Ashwell Gardens		Install 6ft metal gate with slam lock to property adjoining Church. Thieves have used this cut through to access the church and steal lead from the roof	deter ASB	Jayne Campbell / Anna Sollini	Cost TBC
Aspley Lane	568-546	Installation of 2 lighting columns	alleyway is dark in winter and trees which obscure light could not be felled as they are well-established	improve safety	£7,196.67

Ashwell Gardens	7-10	Install row of 4 solar lights at roof height. Walkway is dark and has several steps which residents may slip or trip on	improve safety	Jayne Campbell	Cost TBC
				Total Cost	£8,946.67